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Response to Restriction Requirement

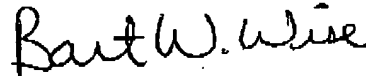
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Election of Group for Examination

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application, and subject to a Restriction Requirement under 35 USC § 121 between claims in five groups. Group I (claims 1-7, 10-12, 14, and 17-20) is hereby elected for examination on the merits. This election is made without traverse. Applicant respectfully requests that the application proceed to examination on the merits.

Should the Patent Office determine that an extension of time or any other relief is required for further consideration of this application, applicant hereby petitions for such relief, and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and other fees due in connection with the filing of these papers to Deposit Account No. 07-1139, referencing the docket number indicated above.

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